

IN THE CLAIMS

This is a complete and current listing of the claims, marked with status identifiers in parentheses. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for carrying out quality control of medical data records ~~(10a-e)~~—collected from different but comparable patient collectives ~~(9a-e)~~—during a medical project—~~(3)~~, ~~having the following steps~~the method comprising:

- determining a quality control parameter ~~(24a-e)~~ assigned to each medical data record ~~(10a-e)~~ is determined in ~~the a similar~~same manner; and

- evaluating the quality control parameters ~~(24a-e)~~ are evaluated on ~~the a~~ basis of comparison criteria—~~(6)~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, in which~~further~~ comprising:

- determining, from the quality control parameter ~~(24a-e)~~—assigned to ~~it~~ a medical data record, a quality level ~~level~~ ~~(28a-e)~~ is determined for every medical data record ~~(10a-e)~~ on ~~the a~~ basis of quality criteria—~~(20)~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
claim 2, in which~~further comprising:~~

— specifying boundary values, assigned to the medical project, ~~(3)~~ are specified for the quality control parameters ~~(24a-e)~~, wherein

- the quality level ~~(28a-e)~~ of the medical data records ~~(10a-e)~~ is determined on the basis of the boundary values.

4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
~~one of claims 2 or 3~~, in which~~wherein~~:

— the medical data records ~~(10a-e)~~ are collected by project managers ~~(12a-e)~~, and wherein

- the quality levels ~~(28a-e)~~ assigned to the medical data records ~~(10a-e)~~ are assigned to the project managers ~~(12a-e)~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
claim 4, in which~~wherein~~ +

- the project managers ~~(12a-e)~~ are remunerated for running the project ~~(3)~~ in accordance with the quality levels ~~(28a-e)~~ assigned to them.

6. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
claim 4 or 5, in which~~:wherein~~

- the project managers ~~(12a-e)~~ are entered in a ranking database ~~(36)~~ in accordance with the quality levels ~~(28a-e)~~ assigned to them.

7. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
~~one of claims 2 to 4, 6, in which: wherein~~

- the quality levels ~~(28a-e)~~ assigned to the medical data records ~~(10a-e)~~ are stored in a database ~~(36)~~, and wherein,
- together with each quality level ~~(28a-e)~~, a description ~~(29a-e)~~ associated with it is stored in the database.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
claim 7, in which: wherein

- data characterizing the patient collective ~~(9a-e)~~ assigned to the quality level are stored as a description ~~(29a-e)~~ in the database.

9. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in
~~one of the preceding claims, in which:~~

- claim 1, wherein - the medical data records ~~(10a-e)~~ are determined in the course of a clinical workflow, and wherein

- an electronic workflow management system controls the clinical workflow depending on the quality control parameters ~~(28a-e)~~ determined.

10. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed
in ~~one of the preceding claims, in which:~~ claim 1, wherein
- the procedural rules for ~~the~~ at least one of a current
and/or a future medical project ~~(3)~~ are ~~is~~ specified depending
on the quality control parameters ~~(28a-e)~~ determined.

11. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed
in ~~one of the preceding claims, in which:~~ claim 1, wherein
- quality control parameters ~~(24a-e)~~, comparison criteria
~~(6)~~ and evaluation methods assigned thereto for different
medical projects ~~(3)~~ are stored as objects in a toolset, and
wherein
- for quality control of a particular medical project
~~(3)~~, suitable objects are selected from the toolset and used.

12. (New) The method as claimed in claim 3,
wherein:
the medical data records are collected by project
managers, and wherein the quality levels assigned to the
medical data records are assigned to the project managers.

13. (New) The method as claimed in claim 12,
wherein the project managers are remunerated for running the
project in accordance with the quality levels assigned to
them.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the project managers are entered in a ranking database in accordance with the quality levels assigned to them.

15. (New) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the quality levels assigned to the medical data records are stored in a database, and wherein, together with each quality level, a description associated with it is stored in the database.

16. (New) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the quality levels assigned to the medical data records are stored in a database, and wherein, together with each quality level, a description associated with it is stored in the database.

17. (New) The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the quality levels assigned to the medical data records are stored in a database, and wherein, together with each quality level, a description associated with it is stored in the database.

18. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the medical data records are determined in the course

of a clinical workflow, and wherein an electronic workflow management system controls the clinical workflow depending on the quality control parameters determined.

19. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the procedural rules for at least one of a current and a future medical project is specified depending on the quality control parameters determined.

20. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein quality control parameters, comparison criteria and evaluation methods assigned thereto for different medical projects are stored as objects in a toolset, and wherein for quality control of a particular medical project, suitable objects are selected from the toolset and used.